 Barningham CEVCP School

 September 2015

Dear Squirrel Parents,

Please would you take a few moments to let us know how you felt about the schools transition process last term by completing this survey? We are reviewing our transition ideas and appreciate your feedback and ideas to help us provide the best first experience of school possible.

Thank you, Miss Orritt and Mrs Duncan ☺

**How would you describe the transition activities: very helpful** (3) / **helpful**  (1) / not helpful

**My child found it:**

* Very settling as he was familiar with his new teacher/ TA and his classroom
* Stress free
* Good – liked going somewhere new
* Fun and exciting and he felt very grown up
* Enjoyable and easy!

**We felt that the school:**

* Went above and beyond to do everything to make my son feel settled. The new teacher also got to know him well beforehand.
* Put no pressure on the children
* Understanding and willing to work with us.

**The length and timing of the transition was:**

* Well thought out as the teachers got to know him throughout the year. Use of CIR activities were used also.
* Good. Helped her to get to know the teacher.
* Long enough although he didn’t quite grasp the concept of being in a larger class.
* Efficient.

**Please tell us how your child felt on starting Squirrel Class in September?**

* He was excited to be a Squirrel and happily read through his visual book of the new room/ routine
* He felt really excited and proud throughout the summer holidays, but on the first day back – class size was daunting.
* Happy. Looked forward to learning new topics.
* She was very happy to start. I know nothing about the transition phase so it must have worked
* Excited and anxious.

**The most useful aspects were:**

* The teacher’s involvement beforehand, the visual book for the holiday and the use of CIR.
* First day was daunting but without the transition days it would have been a huge shock
* The teachers working with him.

**It would have been useful to have known:**

* I was kept really well informed so I’m happy with how my son’s transition went.
* Meeting new people.
* What was happening, however I probably lost the letter.